(a) whether Public Investment Board has cleared setting up a Urea Fertilizer Project at Nellore in Andhra Pradesh,

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, how the demand of urea will be met by the Agriculture Ministry?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (DR. A.K. PATEL): (a) to (c) Indian Farmers Fertiliser Cooperative Ltd. (IFFCO's) proposal to set up a grass-root ammonia-urea plant at Nellore District in Andhra Pradesh has been considered by the Public Investment Board. The proposal will be posed for investment approval under the prescribed procedure after finalisation of the demand projections for nitrogen nutrient in the terminal year of the 9th Plan and the policy for capacity accretion, which is being reformulated in the light of the recommendations of the High Powered Fertilizers Pricing Policy Review Committee. Any gap between the demand and the indigenous availability of urea will be met through imports.

Re-starting of Durgapur unit of HFC

1983. SHRI DIPANKAR MUKHERJEE: Will the Minisster of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to refer to answer to Starred Question 157 given in the Rajya Sabha on 5th June, 1998 and state:

(a) whether HFC Board had quantified an amount of Rs. 40 crores for renovation of critical equipments including primary reformer which caught fire on 24th June, 1997 to stabilize production at Durgapur Unit;

(b) whether funds were not made available by Government in 1997-98;

(c) if so, the reasons therefor;

(d) whether the funds for the above purpose have been made available in 1998-99; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (DR. A.K. PATEL): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) to (e) Due to resource constraints, it has not been possibe to allocate the budgetary support required by HFC for undertaking the capital investment for renovation of critical equipments for stabilisation of production at Durgapur plant.

Pharmaceutical Units in the Country

1984. SHRI BHAGBAN MAJHI: Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of pharmaceutical units in the Public sector in the country;

(b) whether there are some private sector pharmaceutical units also set up in the country;

(c) if so, the location of the public as well as private sector pharmaceutical units; and

(d) the guidelines prescribed by Government in manufacturing, selling and exporting of bulk drugs by these units, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (DR. A.K. PATEL): (a) There are five Central Public Sector Undertakings, namely Indian Drugs & Pharmaceuticals Ltd. (DPL) Hindustan Antibiotics Ltd. (HAL); Bengal Chemicals & Pharmaceuticals Ltd. (BCPL); Bengal Immunity Ltd. (BIL) and Smith Stanist Pharmaceutical Ltd. (SSPL).

(b) and (c) The number of Pharmaceutical Units in the private sector is more than 20,000. Majority of these units are in the small scale sector which do not require approval from the Central Government and fall under the purview of the State Governments where they are located. Details of location of public sector pharmaceutical units is given in attached statement. (*See* below).

(d) The manufacturing activities of the Pharmaceutical units are under the regulatory control of Ministry of Health & Family Welfare. Exports are regulated through the current Export & Import Policy of the Government in the Ministry of Commerce. The Department of Chemicals & Petrochemicals do not prescribe any guidelines for sales of Pharmaceuticals except for pricing of drugs under

price Control which are Governed by the provisions of DPCO, 1995.

Statement

Location of the Public Sector Undertakings in Pharmaceutical Industry Sector

Name of the PSU	Location of Units
I. Indian Durgs & Pharmaceuticals Limited, Gurgaon, Haryana	Gurgaon (Haryana) Hyderabad(AP) Rishikesh (UP) 2 Wholly owned Subsidiaries at Chennai (Tamil Nadu) & Muzaffarpur (Bihar)
II. Hindustan Antibiotics Ltd. Pimpri, Pune	Pimpri, Pune Maharashtra
III. Bengal Immunity Ltd. Calcutta, West Bengal	Calcutta, (WB) Dehradun (UP)
IV. Bengal Chemicals & Pharmaceuticals Ltd. Calcutta, West Bengal	Maniktala, Calcutta (WB) Panihati. Calcutta (WB) Mumbai (Maharashtra) Kanpur, (UP)
V. Smithstanistreet Pharmaceuticals Ltd. Calcutta, West Bengal	Calcutta, (WB)

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1985. **श्री चीमनभाई हरीभाई शुक्ल:** क्या रसायन और उर्वरक मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) उड़ीसा, मध्य प्रदेश और गुजरात में प्रस्तावित नए उर्वरक संयंत्रों के लिए चालू वर्ष के दौरान कितना वित्तीय आवंटन किया गया है;

(ख) उक्त प्रत्येक उर्वरक संयंत्र संबंधी निर्माण कार्य, भूमि खरीद इत्यादि से संबंधित स्थिति क्या है;

(ग) उक्त संयंत्रों के कब तक चालू हो जाने की संभावना है; और

(घ) वर्ष 1998-99 के दौरान स्थापित किए गए जाने वाले नए संयंत्रों और उनके लिए आवंटित धनराशि संबंधी अद्यतन विस्तृत ब्यौरा क्या है?

रसायन और उर्वरक मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (डा० ए के पटेल): (क) से (ग) इस समय, उड़ीसा, मध्य प्रदेश तथा गुजरात राज्यों में केन्द्रीय सार्वजनिक क्षेत्र में नए उर्वरक संयंत्रों को स्थापित करने का कोई प्रस्ताव नहीं है।

(घ) इंडियन फार्मर्स फर्टिलाइजर कोआपरेटिव लिमिटेड (इफको) तथा कृषक भारती कोआपरेटिव लि० (कृभको) ने क्रमश: नेल्लोर (आं. प्र.) तथा गोरखपुर (उ.प्र.) में नए यूरिया संयंत्र की स्थापना करने के लिए परियोजना प्रस्तावों को निवेश अनुमोदन के लिए प्रस्तुत किया है । चूंकि ये परियोजनाएं बिना किसी बजटीय सहायता के स्थापित करने का प्रस्ताव है। अत: वर्ष 1998-99 के बजट में उनके लिए निधियों का प्रावधान नहीं किया गया है।

Shifting of Pollution Causing Units from Kachhona Town in U.P.

1986. SHRI MOHINDAR SINGH KALYAN: Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have taken any follow up action for execution of their orders contained in their letter No. 016016/19/93-CPA dated 25th August, 1993 and in the letters of U.P. Pollution Control Board by the District Magistrate, Hardoi (UP) regarding shifting of pollution causing units as stated therein; and

(b) if so, why the said units have not yet been shifted from the said town KACHHONA wherein the Board has clearly indicated the erring units of causing pollution and running without airconsent from the Board?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI BABU LAL MARANDI): (a) and (b) Consequent to the letter issued by the Ministry of Environment & Forests on 25.08.1993, the State Government initiated proceedings under Section 133 CRPC and directions were issued by S.D.M., Sandila, Hardoi to the concerned units. Earlier against the U.P. Pollution Control Board's order, a Writ Petition was filed in the Hon'ble High Court, Lucknow by the concerned units and the same is still pending in the Court.